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Sir:

In accordance with the provisions of 37 C.F.R. Sections 1.10 and 1.53, please accept the enclosed Continuation-in-Part Patent Application entitled *In Orbit Space Transportation & Recovery System*.

Contents of Patent Application

This Transmittal Letter is accompanied by a Continuation-in-Part Patent Application which includes:

58 Pages of Specification plus a title page including:
85 Total Claims including
6 Independent Claims and
79 Dependent Claims; and
17 Sheets of Drawings.

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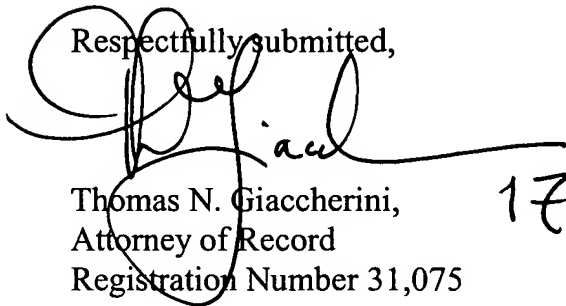
Calculation of Filing Fee

	No. Filed	Allowance	Excess	Rate	Total
Filing Fee					\$ 770
Total Claims	85	20	65	\$ 18	\$ 1170
Independent Claims	6	3	3	\$ 86	\$ 258
Multiple Dep. Claims	0	0	0	\$290	0
SUBTOTAL					\$ 2198
50% Small Entity Reduction					\$ 1099
TOTAL FEE					\$ 1099

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